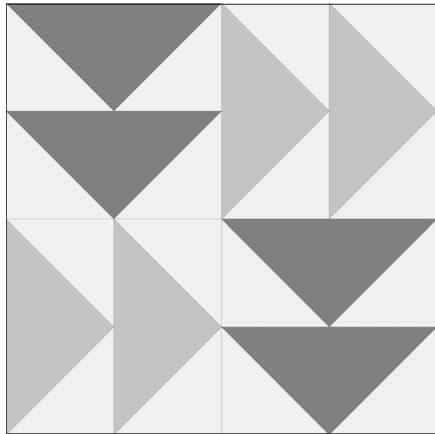


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26 Ezekial (Return of the Swallows)



Pattern for 6" finished block — All seams are 1/4".
Pressing directions are indicated.

Fabric needed for one block & Cutting instructions		
Dark	1/8 yard or scrap (1) 4-1/4" squares, cut twice diagonally	
Medium	1/8 yard or scrap (1) 4-1/4" squares, cut twice diagonally	
Light	1/8 yard or scrap (8) 2-3/8" squares, cut once diagonally	

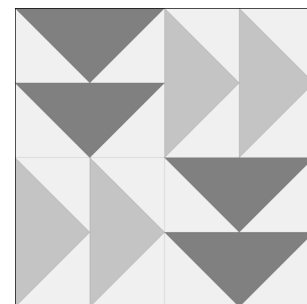
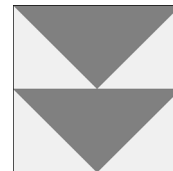
Instructions:



Make 4 units of each color combination.



1. This entire block is made from flying geese units. Stitch a Light triangle to each side of a Dark triangle to form the flying geese unit, as shown. One point of the Light triangle will slightly overlap the Dark triangle (approx. 3/8"). Press toward the Light triangles. Trim dog ears. Make (4) units. In the same manner, make (4) units of Light/Medium flying geese.
2. Stitch the flying geese units together into 2-block sets, as shown. Press toward the long edge of the flying geese unit (away from the point). Make (2) sets of each color combination.
3. Stitch the top and bottom rows together as shown, taking care to turn the flying geese sets in the direction shown. Match points, where possible. Press toward the Dark flying geese units. Stitch the rows together. Press seams open.



The prophet Ezekial was a priest to the exiled people of Jerusalem. This book of the bible is written in chronological order beginning before the fall of Jerusalem (chapters 1-24). The middle chapters (33-48) contain a message of hope, and the closing chapters contain a warning against foreign nations.

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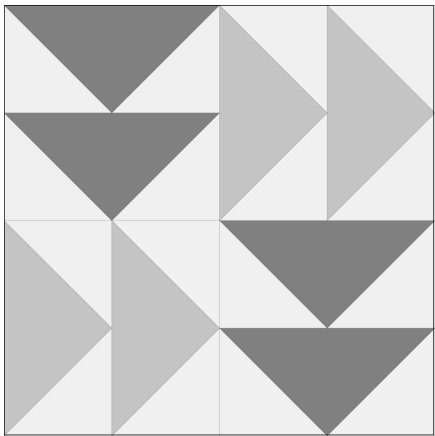
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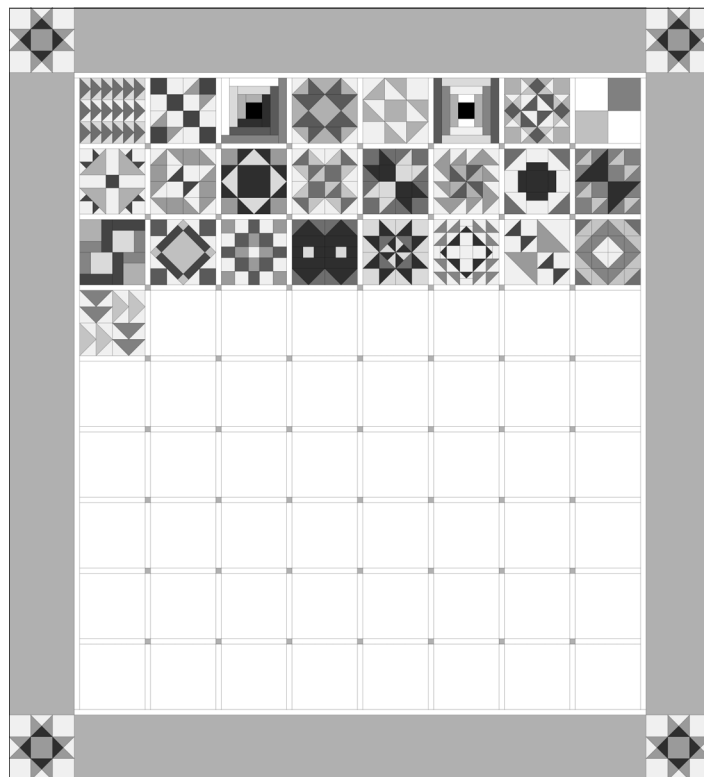
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This is Block 26 of a 73 block series representing the 39 books of the Old Testament, 7 books of the Apocrypha, and 27 books of the New Testament. I chose to name the blocks after books of the Bible as a testament to my faith. I call the finished quilt "Bible Studies." Whether Catholic or Protestant, I hope each block will have a special meaning to the quilt maker. For me, reviewing the books of the Bible recalled many of my favorite bible stories and passages. I include a bit of Bible history or each block. I have used, as a reference, the New Oxford Annotated

Bible with the Apocrypha, Revised Standard Version, 1977, an Ecumenical Study Bible.

The lap quilt shown at right is one of three possible settings for the Bible Studies blocks. In this setting, Genesis is constructed (4) times for the outer border cornerstones.



I chose Return of the Swallows to represent this book of the Bible because, as prophet to the exiles, Ezekial promises the return of Jerusalem. Ezekial's ministry marks the transition from Israelite religion before the fall of Jerusalem to the humble beginnings of Judaism.

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